



Title | The Other Mother  
Series | PROFILE  
Text | Proverbs 31:1-9  
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# Sermon Notes

Proverbs 31:1 The words of King Lemuel. An oracle that his mother taught him:  
2 What are you doing, my son? What are you doing, son of my womb? What are you doing, son of my vows? 3 Do not give your strength to women, your ways to those who destroy kings. 4 It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine, or for rulers to take strong drink, 5 lest they drink and forget what has been decreed and pervert the rights of all the afflicted. 6 Give strong drink to the one who is perishing, and wine to those in bitter distress; 7 let them drink and forget their poverty and remember their misery no more. 8 Open your mouth for the mute, for the rights of all who are destitute. 9 Open your mouth, judge righteously, defend the rights of the poor and needy.  
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## Big Idea:

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## For Reflection & Application:

### Monday

Read Proverbs 31:1-2. The words of King Lemuel's mother were spoken thousands of years ago. How do they compare with what a typical mother might say to her adult child today? What does this suggest about the relevance and helpfulness of Scripture?

### Tuesday

Read Proverbs 31:3. How would you state the advice this mother is giving in your own words? Is this advice still good and relevant today? Why or why not?

### Wednesday

Read Proverbs 31:4-7. What is the primary concern of the mother concerning her son's use of alcohol? How is this different from other common concerns regarding alcohol? Why is this important?

### Thursday

Read Proverbs 31:8-9. What is the mother encouraging her son to do? Specifically, how could you follow her advice?

### Friday

Read Proverbs 31:10-31. Then read, "A No-Guilt Look at Proverbs 31" by Marcia Hornok on page 11 of the magazine in this link: [https://faithalone.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/GIF\\_MayJune2018\\_forweb.pdf](https://faithalone.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/GIF_MayJune2018_forweb.pdf) .

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